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| Serial No.: | 09/893,223  | Group Art Unit: | 3723         |
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION ACTION

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the restriction Office Action mailed 21 August 2002. In the Action, the Examiner requests a restriction to one of the following Groups.

Group I, claims 1-28, drawn to a system for cleaning a surface;

Group II, claims 29-35, drawn to a method of cleaning and restoring a hard surface; and

Group III, claims 36, 38-42, drawn to a tile floor surface.

Applicants elect Group III, claims 36, 38-42, without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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